

Family Policy Council

2003 Summer Conference

INCLUSION

A Path to Cultural Relevance

Monday, May 12 –
Wednesday, May 14

Sleeping Lady Retreat Center

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Why Inclusion?

In passing 70.190 RCW, the Legislature imagined that social services would be transformed when the community—the whole community—got a say in developing and governing services.

The law asks us to do at least three things to promote this vision of inclusion:

- Ensure that the majority of each Family Policy Council Community Network board be “parents and citizens,” not social services professionals.
- Build boards that reflect the make up of the community.
- Implement the Family Policy Principles, including culturally relevant services and supports.

Many Family Policy Council Community Networks have expressed interest in developing the skills necessary for building inclusive, representative boards and ensuring full community participation in the design and governance of social services programs. This short conference will give us the chance to explore together.

Location

Sleeping Lady Retreat Center
7375 Icicle Road
Leavenworth, Washington 98826
509-538-6344
www.sleepinglady.com

With overflow hotel provided by:
Evergreen Inn
1117 Front Street
Leavenworth, Washington 98826
800-327-7212
www.evergreeninn.com

State travel regulations require that you live and work 50 miles or more from Leavenworth to qualify for overnight accommodations.

Not the Usual Routine

Sleeping Lady is a beautiful retreat center that fosters good conversation and great learning, as well as rejuvenation. But it does not operate like a hotel.

Sleeping Lady requires that the Family Policy Council provide a registration list well in advance of the event. So, you must register for the conference (not the hotel) by Wednesday, April 23.

Sleeping Lady is small—only 58 rooms—and it’s not the perfect place for everyone. If you are traveling with a spouse or a pet, please plan to stay at the Evergreen Inn. It’s five minutes from Sleeping Lady. If you register late or require a single room you may also need to stay there. The registration form provides guidance.

Registration & Room Sharing

The FPC is again encouraging room sharing. We will assist you in finding a roommate from another Network if your Network is sending an odd number of participants or if your Network has singletons due to the gender mix of the team. Feel free to share with a friend from a different Network. We will continue to meet the rooming needs of persons requiring ADA accommodations.

The registration fees for this event are: **\$125** when sharing a room, and **\$175** when taking a single room

The fee is non-refundable and must be paid in full regardless of arrival or departure date. The fee includes:

- Conference materials
- All conference meals and refreshments
- Two nights’ lodging (Monday, Tuesday)

Questions?

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Tentative Agenda

Monday, May 12, 2003

- 2:30 pm – 5:00 pm **COMMON GROUND: BEING OURSELVES TOGETHER**
From learning styles and life experience to culture and ethnicity, this fun, interactive session explores the unique perspective each of us brings to the work we do together. Participants will focus on the question, "How do we build Network strength from inclusion?"
- 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm *Dinner*
Community Networks Coalition Board Meeting
- 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm **SELF EXPRESSION**
Explore the arts as a resource for building inclusive endeavors.

Tuesday, May 13, 2003

- 8:00 am – 8:45 am *Breakfast*
- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm **TUESDAY TRACKS**
Select from among several all-day workshops designed to build skills for inclusion. Choices include: Facilitating Inclusive Meetings and Building Cultural Relevance.
- 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm *Luncheon with Community Networks Coalition Annual Meeting*
- 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm **TUESDAY TRACKS-CONTINUED**
Conclude workshops begun in the morning. Staying on the same track for the morning and afternoon promotes skill building.
- 6:00 pm *Recognition Dinner*

Wednesday, May 14, 2003

- 8:00 am – 8:45 am *Breakfast*
- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm **WEDNESDAY TRACKS**
The cultural lens we look through affects what we see. These morning sessions will help us to understand the cultural relevance of the problem behaviors and various responses to them.
- 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm *Luncheon*
Community Networks Coalition Board Meeting

CONFERENCE GOALS

- Promote legal mandates related to inclusion, having a non-fiduciary majority and reflecting community composition on the board, parent and citizen voice in program design and governance, and implementation of the Family Policy Principles.
- Promote understanding of the Family Policy Principle, "Culturally Relevant Services," through content and modeling.
- Develop an atmosphere of discovery and exploration so that there is time, safety, and space for framing questions about culture and cultural relevance.
- Promote understanding of the role of culture in communities' experience of, understanding of and existing responses to the problem behaviors (child abuse and neglect, youth substance abuse, youth violence, domestic violence, teen pregnancy, dropping out of school, and youth suicide).

Sponsored by:



The Family Policy Council helps communities prevent child abuse and neglect, youth substance abuse and other important social problems.

A catalyst for change and transformation, the Family Policy Council and Family Policy Council Community Networks maximize use of social service funding and improve the state's policies that affect children and families.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Please complete the information below and return to the Family Policy Council by **April 23, 2003**. FAX: 360-902-7853. MAIL: PO Box 45015, Olympia, WA 98504.

Registration Fee

- _____ I am making payment of \$125 because:
- ☐ I have a roommate. Roommate's Name: _____
- ☐ I am seeking FPC assistance in finding a roommate. Gender: **M** **F**
- ☐ I require a single room as an accommodation under the ADA.
- _____ I am making payment of \$175 because I am taking a single room or traveling with a non-Network guest, such as a spouse. Persons traveling with a guest must stay at Evergreen Inn. Please make your own reservation at 1-800-327-7212

Name: _____

Role: ☐ Board Chair ☐ Board Member ☐ Board Staff ☐ Partner

Network: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Emergency Contact & Phone: _____

Do you have any special needs or requirements, including dietary restrictions, we should be aware of? (Note: If you are requesting special meals, you must identify yourself to servers at the conference in order to receive them.)

REGISTERING FOR A ROOM

Sleeping Lady is a retreat center and ***does not*** operate like a hotel. Family Policy Council is required to provide a rooming list, which we will build from this registration form. **If you are planning to stay at Sleeping Lady and you register on time, don't call anyone for a room!**

Sleeping Lady may not be for you. You should plan to stay at the Evergreen Inn if: you are traveling with a spouse, children or other non-Network companions; you are traveling with a pet; you'd rather be farther from than closer to nature; your priority is to have a single room; you are registering after April 23. **If you are planning to stay at Evergreen Inn (about 5 minutes from Sleeping Lady), please check the box and call for a reservation.**

☐ I am making my own reservation at Evergreen Inn, 1-800-327-7212. I understand my room will be direct billed to the Family Policy Council and that I may participate in all meals at Sleeping Lady.

Sleeping Lady Retreat Center is an ADA compliant facility. Persons requiring an accommodation due to disability should contact Krista Goldstine-Cole at (360)-902-7888 (voice), (360)-902-7853 (fax), or goldskl@dshs.wa.gov (e-mail) **by May 1**.